

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Steve Golden

Examiner: Julian W. Woo

Serial No.: 10/715,797

Group Art Unit: 3773

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Docket No.: P0021729.02 / M190.321.101

**Due Date: March 12, 2009**

Title: APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR ANASTOMOSIS

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD  
OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated December 12, 2008, rejecting claims 64, 66-75, and 123-141. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) apply.

(a) Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (fees 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-1.17(a)(5) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> one month (\$130.00)	<input type="checkbox"/> two months (\$490.00)	<input type="checkbox"/> three months (\$1,110.00)	<input type="checkbox"/> four months (\$1,730.00)	<input type="checkbox"/> The extension fee has already been filed in this application.
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(b) Applicant believes that no Extension of Time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a Petition and fee for Extension of Time.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0471 in the amount of **\$540.00**. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0471 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.25.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's representative at the below-listed telephone numbers to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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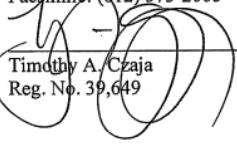
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